

REMARKS:

Claims 2, 3, 5-10, and 26-43 are currently pending in the application.

Claims 1, 4 and 11-25 have been previously canceled without *prejudice*.

Claim 7, 26-30, and 37 stand objected to for certain informalities.

By this Amendment, Claims 7, 26-30, and 37 have been amended to correct certain informalities. By making these amendments, the Applicants make no admission concerning the merits of the Examiner's objections, and respectfully reserve the right to address any statement or averment of the Examiner not specifically addressed in this response. Particularly, the Applicants expressly reserve the right to pursue broader claims in this Application or through a continuation patent application. No new matter has been added.

CLAIM OBJECTIONS:

Claims 7, 26-30, and 37 stand objected to for certain informalities. In response the Applicants have amended Claims 7, 26-30, and 37 to correct the certain informalities. The Applicants respectfully submit that the objection to Claims 7, 26-30, and 37 are moot in view of the amendments to the claims. Thus, the Applicants respectfully request that the objection to Claims 7, 26-30, and 37 be reconsidered and that Claims 7, 26-30, and 37 be allowed.

The Applicants Claims Stand Patentable over the Previously Cited Prior Art

The Applicants respectfully submit that amended independent Claims 7, 26-30 and 37 are considered patentably distinguishable over the previously cited combination of *Huang, Greene, Dobler, and White*, either individually or in combination.

With respect to dependent Claims 2, 3, 5, 6, 8-10, 31-36 and 38-43: Claims 2, 3, 5, 6, and 8-10 depend from amended independent Claim 7; Claims 31-36 depend from amended independent Claim 30, and Claims 38-43 depend from amended independent

Claim 37. As mentioned above, each of amended independent Claims 7, 26-30, and 37, are considered patentably distinguishable over the previously cited combination of *Huang, Greene, Dobler, and White*. Thus, dependent Claims 2, 3, 5, 6, 8-10, 31-36 and 38-43 are considered to be in condition for allowance for at least the reason of depending from an allowable claim.

For at least the reasons set forth herein, the Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 2, 3, 5-10, and 26-43 are in condition for allowance. Thus, the Applicants respectfully request that Claims 2, 3, 5-10, and 26-43 be allowed.

CONCLUSION:

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, this application is considered to be in condition for allowance, and early reconsideration and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

Although the Applicants believe no fees are deemed to be necessary; the undersigned hereby authorizes the Director to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayments, to **Deposit Account No. 500777**. If an extension of time is necessary for allowing this Response to be timely filed, this document is to be construed as also constituting a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to the extent necessary. Any fee required for such Petition for Extension of Time should be charged to **Deposit Account No. 500777**.

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Respectfully submitted,

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